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Learning and Gathering Opportunities for This Week

As a result of the election, you may be feeling relief, anger, joy, uncertainty, apprehension, etc. However, the mission of the church of Jesus Christ continues - which includes our work to create a world of justice, equity, and peace for all. Meanwhile, hope to see you at some of the events below!

Tuesday, November 9 at 7:00 pm Eastern / 6:00 pm Central

Let's Talk about Church Bylaws

Join UCC Attorney, Heather Kimmel, for a conversation about local church bylaws – what to make sure to include and clarify. This is for both clergy and lay leaders and is a great opportunity to look at your bylaws! If you already have some questions, email them to Char Burch at cburch@secucc.org and she will pass them onto the attorney prior to the meeting so that they will be included in the discussion. REGISTER

For Clergy

- **An Hour of Conversations and Prayer**
  Tuesday, November 10 - 11:00 a.m. Eastern (10:00 a.m. Central)
  Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/479440102
- **Virtual Worship Service Option for Local Churches – Nov. 15**
  The Council of Conference Ministers has created their second virtual

worship service! The service will be ready for use on Sunday, November 15th in full and in parts, but can be used at any time. It is centered around the Parable of the Talents. If you want to receive the link to use it in your worship service, please email Char Burch (cburch@secucc.org).

From the Wider UCC Church

Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 3:30pm - 4:30pm EST

Youth Ministry Today: Programmatic Suggestions

Local UCC youth ministers will share practical steps for you to engage your youth as we live through the current health pandemic, but also grapple with the uprise of racial injustice and intolerance of groups who have traditionally been deemed "other". REGISTER

Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 3:30pm - 4:30pm EST

New Music for #2020 Advent and Beyond

In this webinar, songwriter, minister and activist Tracy Howe will share a debut live performance of The Restoration Project EP, "Rise Up," a new collection of songs written for congregational singing. These songs are appropriate for Advent, as they are songs of waiting and expectation. They are also songs for this moment, expressing the hope and yearning of people of faith and justice in an extraordinary time. There will be a time of Q&A with Tracy and the project producer, Aaron Strumpel (also an accomplished singer-songwriter and former full-time touring member of The Restoration Project) and webinar registrants will receive a link to download a digital worship kit of the project, including the songs, lyric videos, sheet music, and licensing to use the work for worship and educational purposes! REGISTER

(For additional offerings check the UCC Website at www.ucc.org)

Looking Ahead

Monday, November 16, 7 pm Eastern/6 pm Central

Re-Opening of Churches – Conversation for all Church Leaders

As things keep changing regarding COVID-19 and reopening churches, we want to continue the conversation, developing safe and best practices. There is also the question about what practices churches might maintain into the future. We invite all Moderators, Church Leaders, and Clergy to be part of the conversation. REGISTER

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